

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/821,291

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to applicant's amendments and remarks filed 03/16/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 12, 13 and 15-22.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's amendment filed on 03/16/2007 has been entered:
 - Claims 1-11 and 23-37 were cancelled.

Examiner's Amendment

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
3. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in communications with Scott T. Weingaertner (Reg. No. 37,756) on 3/28/2007.

Claims

4. Claim 14 is cancelled.
5. Claim 12 has been amended as follows:
 - a. Claim 12, line 1, following "A", insert --lighting device for use with an article, the lighting--.
 - b. Claim 12, line 7, "device" has been changed to --lighting device--.
 - c. Claim 12, line 8, "member within an" has been changed to --member, and within the article, the--.
 - d. Claim 12, line 8, following "housing", insert --, wherein the handle comprises a hinge for manipulating the handle between a first and a second positions, wherein manipulating the handle to the first position facilitates carriage of the

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lighting device, and manipulating the handle to the second position facilitates securing the lighting device to the member, within the article--

e. Claim 12, line 9, "device" has been changed to --lighting device--.

6. Claim 13 has been amended as follows:

a. Claim 13, line 1, following 1st appearance "The", insert --lighting --.

b. Claim 13, line 4, "illumination" has been changed to --lighting--.

c. Claim 13, line 8, "illumination" has been changed to --lighting--.

7. Claim 15, line 1, following 1st appearance "The", insert --lighting--.

8. Claim 16, line 1, following 1st appearance "The", insert --lighting--.

9. Claim 17, line 1, following 1st appearance "The", insert --lighting--.

10. Claim 18, line 1, following 1st appearance "The", insert --lighting--.

11. Claim 19, line 1, following 1st appearance "The", insert --lighting--.

12. Claim 20, line 1, following 1st appearance "The", insert --lighting--.

13. Claim 21, line 1, following 1st appearance "The", insert --lighting--.

14. Claim 22, line 1, following 1st appearance "The", insert --lighting--.

Reasons for Allowance

15. Claims 12-13 and 15-22 are allowed.

16. The following is the examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

17. Claim 12 is allowable because the prior art fails to show or teach a lighting device for an interior of an article having a housing, a light source module and a handle, wherein the housing has substantially the same shape as the article, the light source module is coupled to a top portion of the housing and extends downward within the

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housing, the handle portion is attached to the top portion of the housing and comprises a hinge for manipulating the handle between a first and a second positions, manipulating the handle to the first position facilitates carriage of the lighting device, and manipulating the handle to the second position facilitates securing the lighting device to a member within the article.

18. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gunyoung T. Lee whose telephone number is (571) 272-8588. The examiner can normally be reached between 7:30 - 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Sandra L. O'Shea can be reached at (571) 272-2378. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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